

Burstall Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 16th July 2018

21.18 Present: Andrew Cooper (chair), Nick Fiske, Mary Smith, Keith and Lesley Raby, Ann Burchnall, Rupert Caitlin, County District Cllr Nick Ridley & County Councillor Christopher Hudson

22.18. Apologies. Andrew Kerrison, Barry Gasper, Simon Girling & Joan Eagle

23.18 To approve Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 21st May 2018

These had been circulated to all parish councillors and were proposed as a true record by Keith Raby seconded by Mary Smith and signed by Andrew Cooper

To approve Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 18th June 2018

These had been circulated to all parish councillors and were proposed as a true record by Ann Burchnall seconded by Nick Fiske and signed by Andrew Cooper

24.18. Matters Arising from these minutes:

There were no objections to the planning applications on the previous agenda. The application for online banking is still being processed. The drain has now been repaired on Burstall Hill bend however we are still waiting for a response regarding the accidents on the bend. The planning application DC/18/02452 Brook Farm, Burstall Hill, was withdrawn after the planning meeting therefore no further action was taken. Broadband should be available from 13th July, the status has changed to testing the line and performing the final checks which should be within a month.

25.18. Declaration of Interest of any item on the agenda:

No declarations were made

26.18. Reports from County & District Councillors:

County - Councillor Christopher Hudson asked if there were any questions following his monthly reports which had been circulated via email. A discussion was held regarding the visibility issues on the A1071 turning. The hedgerow has been cut before and the issue raised of extending the 40mph limit to Hintlesham, although the general consensus was that this would have no effect. It was suggested that the clerk draft a response to the email received from Suffolk Highways and to send to Councillor Hudson asking them to monitor the situation as there is a safety issue that needs to be maintained. Councillor Hudson asked if there was anything else he could do to help with the ongoing issue of Broadband, Andrew Cooper will monitor the situation and expects this to be up and running by our next meeting in September. Councillor Hudson is this week meeting with the Head of Suffolk One to discuss the issue of parking for the students and to find a solution following the withdrawal of the Post 16 Travel policy from September 2019. The issue was raised that part of the original planning application for Suffolk One was that travel was provided. He is hoping they can use the park and ride carpark however the county may have long term plans for this. There is a general shortage of money in the county however this is the same all over the government. There are lots talk of rights for cycling and walkers. Health and well-being is a very prominent item at the moment. There is a new leader of County Council Matthew Hicks. Still need to save over £50 million over the next few years and apologised for the BT contract. Suffolk Highways are currently reviewing the repairs to pot holes across the county. They are a serious issue and please write directly to Councillor Mary Evans with photos who is the new Deputy Leader.

District Council - Nick Ridley reported that Babergh have revived the community awards, this closes at the end of September with the presentation being held in Hadleigh in October, does Burstall have anyone they would like to nominate? The cabinet met last week, and it was agreed to put forward full planning application for Corks Lane HQ site for conversion, there will be 59 houses which will not be affordable, however Angel Court will be converted to 20 affordable homes. The council have not

decided it they are going to develop this themselves or will be selling off to developers. We now have a 5 year land supply which means we can attempt to stop planning applications. The question was asked if developers are getting permission and not building at a local level? Nick Ridley replied that John Ward was given various assurances and the NPPF is being currently revised and there is a shortage of skilled labour. Peter Patrick the finance cabinet member has resigned and now have John Ward has taken this on and Simon Barrett is back in the cabinet as an independent conservative.

27.18. Reports from Parish Councillors:

Ann Burchnall has recently held a session on how to use the defibrillator and had 9 people attend and will plan another session soon. The defibrillator is checked every month and the only problem we will have is getting replacement pads after use.

28.18. Planning:

DC/17/05491 - 3 Cranfield Park, Burstall Discharge of condition 5 materials - there was nothing to note

29.18. GDPR Update:

It was proposed by Ann Burchnall and seconded by Nick Fiske to adopt the GDPR Policy and the Privacy Notice which will be on the website

30.18. Discuss the road closures in and around the village

The issue was raised regarding the A1071 Burstall Bridge closure 13th to 20th July and the lack of signage notifying of the road closure and diversion routes. The clerk did write to highways to ask if they could cut the verges along the Burstall to Aldham road and roads to Flowton, the response from highways was that the A & B roads will be cut however not able to bring forward the cutting of the C & U roads which are to be completed week commencing 23rd July. A discussion was held and the clerk updated the council on the issue that Hintlesham had with the lack of notification and communication with Highways. The previous road closures are not for Suffolk Highways work, they are for Openreach. The signage was displayed stating the road was closed when it was not and did not have any information on as to where. It seems to be that it is cheaper to close the road than put a traffic control system in. After a request the information was then on the signs, but they were still being left when the road was open. This is not acceptable. Councillor Ridley did point out that individuals can respond as well as the parish council. Councillor Hudson asked that the clerk write in the strongest terms to Suffolk Highways and copy him in.

31.18. Discuss the future of the hedge on Coronation Corner

As discussed last year the hedge is overgrown and we have the option of cutting it back or taking it out, it has not grown back as much this year but need to decide the future.

A discussion was held, and the hedge does slow the traffic down the cost to have it cut was around £60 and to remove it would be around £400. All were in agreement to have it cut back on a bi-annual basis or at a point we feel it needs.

32.18. Suffolk Constabulary PCSO Funding

A discussion was held regarding the letter received from Suffolk Constabulary regarding the funding of a local PCSO. It was decided that no further action is to be taken.

33.18: Finance:

Accounts for payment:

The following payments were approved and cheques signed:

Cheque No	Payee	Expense	Amount
000381	Jo Brown	Clerks Salary & Expenses	£262.04

000382	Acott Landscapes	Grass Cutting	£440.00
000383	SALC	Clerk Course	£ 61.80

The clerk gave an update on the Lloyds Bank on-line banking and the issue that the Financial Policy will be updated to incorporate this with two authorisations required.

34.18. Correspondence received

The question was asked if going forward could we have separate emails with the items on the Agenda rather than on one large email - the clerk agreed to this.

The Town & Parish Liaison Meetings Invite we had no response for the July meeting and pointed out future meetings. Consultation on Suffolk Minerals & Waste Local Plan no further action required. Joint Housing Strategy Consultation no further action required. S106 monies enquiry from the new resident regarding the offsite landscaping works of Bramford Substation, the clerk gave an update that the resident had found on our website the article from 2016 regarding this and is now contacting Babergh directly and will update the clerk.

35.18: Any other business/items for next agenda.

Joan Eagle has expressed her wish to resign and it was agreed to ask the chair to see her to discuss this.

The clerk confirmed that the Agenda for Septembers meeting will be out a bit early due to the clerk being on holiday.

There were no items for the next Agenda

Confirmation of next meeting September 17th 2018

The meeting closed at 8.35